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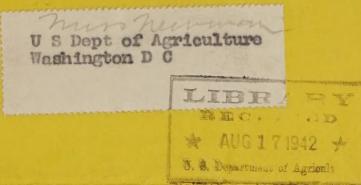
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# THIS IS YOUR COPY OF OUR ADVANCE LIST OF BULBS FALL 1942



TULIPS NARCISSUS PEONIES CROCUS SCILLA LILIES IRIS



# Dear Customer:

Just a brief note . . . and a suggestion.

This will be a hectic year in the bulb business.

There's a shortage, of course. No Dutch imports. Fewer from English growers. And only a handful of American bulb farmers produce top-quality, top-size bulbs.

So there'll be great confusion, and perhaps a good deal of misleading advertising. Many firms will avoid any mention of size. Others will employ vague and indefinite terms. Yet, as you know, size is everything in a bulb. Means more certainty of bloom, a sturdier plant, a much larger flower.

We are concentrating on the largest sizes now available. Our prices, in general, will be the same for these top-sizes as will be asked by others for the next size smaller.

This, please remember, for the very best kinds of imported and domestic bulbs. The reason we can offer these fine healthy largersize bulbs so inexpensively is simple: our method of operation eliminates a great many overhead costs.

Some of the bulbs listed here should be planted at once. But even those which need not be planted until September or later should be ordered now: the supply of very good bulbs is limited, and later prices are almost certain to be higher.

So order now.

### Kelsey Nursery Service

P.S.—Our complete Autumn List of evergreens, trees and shrubs will be mailed about September 1st.

#### TERMS

Prices net, transportation at cost unless specifically included in listed price. Discounts on large quantities voice, quoted on request.

Claims must be reported Address orders and corre-within 10 days. In no case spondence to are we responsible for more than original amount of in-

Minimum bulb order, \$2.00.

KELSEY NURSERY SERVICE 50 Church St., New York, N. Y.

Established 1878

# ORDER Tulips NOW!

### Get the choice of this year's limited crops—at lowest prices!

Big 11 to 12 centimetre bulbs-largest available commercially this year. Obviously the largest bulbs produce the biggest flowers. These are imported from England, with some few from best American growers. Don't be misled by our lower prices-we concentrate on the best kinds that are in good crop—that's why we are able to include in this low-price offer some types that were more costly only 12 months ago.

# 50 OR MORE 7 each

50 or more, several kinds, 81/2c each. Minimum tulip order, 50 bulbs. Not less than 10 of 1 kind.

#### **DARWIN TULIPS**

(May; 11/2 to 3 ft. Lift every 2 years.)

The showiest tulips. Magnificently large blooms, strong vigorous stems.

BARONNE DE LA TONNAYE-Rose, blush margins. CLARA BUTT—Clear pink, flushed salmon. Deep-toned inside. Blue base.

DREAM-tall, solid lilac.

EUROPE-Large, scarlet red.

FARNCOMBE SANDERS-large, fine red.

GIANT—Enormous flower, Tall stem. Reddish purple, shaded violet. White base, HARRY VEITCH—Dark red-brown; blue base,

MASSACHUSETTS—Rose, tinted carmine.

KING HAROLD-Deep ox-blood red, purple base.

MRS. KRELAGE—Lilac rose with paler edges.
MRS. MANDEL—violet, white base,

PHILLIPPE DE COMINES—velvety dark purple. PRINCESS ELIZABETH—clear deep pink, white base. PROFESSOR RAUWENHOFF—large, cherry red, scar-let inside. Bright blue base.

REV. H. EWBANK—shaded mauve. Superb with yellow tulips.

ROSE COPELAND-deep rose. THE SULTAN—dark maroon, almost black.
WILLIAM COPELAND—lilac rose. Early bloom. WILLIAM PITT-dark crimson, white base.

#### MIXED DARWINS. ALL COLORS

10-11 cm. bulbs.

10 to 11 cm. bulbs-smaller than above -but the usual "top-size" of most bulb

100 (minimum order) .....\$4.75

#### SINGLE EARLY TULIPS

(Mid-April. Lift every 2 years.)

Gay, dainty, brilliant-hued.

ARTUS—scarlet with yellow center. CHRYSOLORA—large golden-yellow COTTAGE MAID-deep pink, globular. CRIMSON BRILLIANT—glowing scarlet. DIADEME-deep rose-apricot. FRED MOORE-deep ruddy apricot, orange-edged. PRINCE OF AUSTRIA-bright orange-red. RISING SUN-large golden-yellow. ROSE GRISDELIN-blush white. WHITE SWAN-large purple white.

YELLOW PRINCE—fragrant, clear gold.

#### COTTAGE TULIPS

(May. Need not be lifted.)

Long slender sturdy stems. Smaller than Darwins, but last year after year in bed or border.

ARGO-deep gold, pencilled orange.

BOUTON D'OR—showy yellow, striking black anthers.

CALEDONIA-orange-scarlet with black center.

ELLEN WILMOTT-large, fragrant. Soft yellow.

GESNERIANA MAJOR-crimson; striking black center.

GOLDEN CROWN—yellow with red line edging petals.

GRENADIER—dazzling orange, yellow base.

INGLESCOMBE PINK—bright salmon-pink; blue base.
Tall as a Darwin Tulip.

INGLESCOMBE YELLOW-Tail, large, showy. Glossy

LA MERVEILLE-orange-scarlet. Fragrant.

PICOTTE—long pointed white, thin pink edge.

#### MIXED COTTAGE TULIPS. **ALL COLORS**

10-11 cm. bulbs

100 (minimum order) .....\$4.75

#### TRIUMPH TULIPS

(Late April-Early May. Lift every 2 years.)

ALGIBA-purple mauve, paler edge. LORD CARNARYON-wine-pink, white rimmed. MISSISSIPPI-scarlet-red.

U. S. A.-rosy red with orange edge. ZIMMERMAN-showy pink.

#### BREEDER TULIPS

Most artistic of the tulips. Sombre odd-color

BRONZE QUEENS—buff within, center bright lemon; outside purplish-fawn. Large bloom.

PRINCE OF ORANGE—terra-cotta, orange edge. Base yellow, streaked green. Large.

#### **PARROTT TULIPS**

SUNDEW—glowing crimson cup with petals beautifully fringed. Tall stem.

# HERE'S PROOF OF HOW YOU SAVE . . .

#### when you buy top-size bulbs

This actual photograph shows two tulip bulbs of the same kind exactly. Only the size of the bulb was different . . . growing conditions were identical. You can see clearly the vast difference in the final result . . . the larger bulb produces a bigger, healthier plant, and a very much larger flower. Ten BIG flowers will give you the same mass as twenty small ones . . . and at little more than half the cost.



#### SCILLA—Wood Hyacinths

(April—I ft.) Thrive in bare shady places where few other plants will. Any soil but clay. Fine for naturalizing or in rock gardens.

	(25)	(100)
CAMPANULATA WHITE	\$1.75	\$6.00
CAMPANULATA BLUE	1.50	5.00
NUTANS (Scots Bluebell)	1.50	5.00
NUTANS ALBA (White)	1.50	5.00
SIBERICA (Squill)	2.00	7.00

#### MUSCARI—Grape Hyacinths

#### **DUTCH HYACINTHS**

Good bulbs from England. Name your color: pinks, whites, blues, 14 cm. bulbs.
(25) (100)
\$7.50 \$28.00

#### GIANT SPRING CROCUS

The Dutch Crocus—showiest of all early Spring flowers. Not too plentiful, but enough for early orders. Extra large bulbs. PERMANENT when planted in sunny well-drained soil.

BLUES AND PURPLES	(25) \$2.00	(100) \$7.00
WHITES	2.00	7.00
YELLOWS	2.00	7.00
STRIPED KINDS	2.00	7.00

#### GIANT AUTUMN COLCHICUM

Sometimes called Autumn Crocus.

AUTUMNALE MAJOR \$6.00 \$50.00 BORNMULLERI 5.50 48.00

#### GALANTHUS—Snowdrops

One of first to bloom. Remain a lifetime in faithful bloom.
(25) (100)
GALANTHUS NIVALIS \$1.50 \$4.00

#### CHIONODOXA-

Glory-of-the-Snow

Like blue Snowdrops, Permanent,

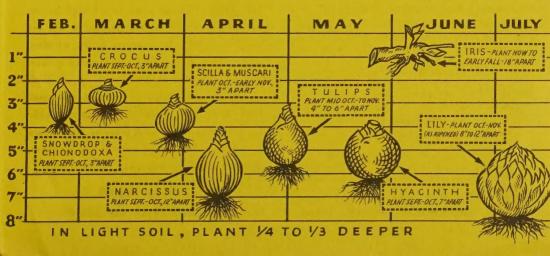
LUCILEA \$2.50 \$8.00

#### LILIES—For Fall Planting

Here are the easy-to-grow kinds for beautiful blooms next summer. All are available by or before early November for autumn planting. Permanent.

	(.00.	(23 01
	more each)	more each)
CANDIDUM (Madonna Lily)		
Fragrant, pure white	40c	32c
FORMOSANUM—Cream and		
emerald. Sept.	40c	30c
HENRYI—Tall, orange	30c	28c
REGALE-Large. Ivory, shaded		
pink; yellow base	30c	25c
TENUIFOLIUM—Scarlet in June.		
Small	18c	14c
TIGRINUM flora plena. Native	177	
Tiger Lily. Double flowers	30c	22c
TIGRINUM splendens. Familiar		
orange and black, but larger	20-	22
umbellatum erectum—	30c	22c
Reddish, in July	20-	22-
Reddisti, iti 7017	30c	22c

WE CAN QUOTE MANY OTHER VARIETIES NOT LISTED HERE. WRITE.



# Narcissus **LOWER PRICES ON LARGER BULBS**

The best of the showiest varieties, specially chosen for beauty of bloom. Plant with fertilizer beneath bulb, sand-cushioned. Any soil; sun or part shade. Lift and divide every third year. Naturalized Narcissus, of course, need not be lifted; they last 6 to 8 years or more without care, flowering prolifically.

#### SHORT TRUMPET **NARCISSUS**

(April, 1-11/2 ft.)

10 or more, 71/2c each

50 or 6c each

Minimum order, 10 of I kind.

#### INCOMPARABILIS (Medium Cup)

AUTOCRAT—dainty, all yellow.
BERNARDINO—creamy. Orange-stained edges.

FRANK MILES—all yellow.
SIR WATKIN—extra large yellow cup; primrose

WHITEWELL-dainty white star, yellow and orange cup.

#### BARRII (Short Cup)

ALBATROS—lemon cup on white perianth.
BLOOD ORANGE—orange cup on lemon-yel-

CONSPICUOUS—tall. Spreading perianth of yellow. Cup darker yellow, scarlet edged.
DIANA KASNER—free flowering white with

red-edged yellow cup.
FIREBRAND—red cup on creamy perianth.
REDCHIEF—white, yellow and orange cup.
SEAGULL—free flowering, tall, late. Pure white perianth with yellow cup. Red-edged.

#### LEEDSI (White with White or **Primrose**

ALBINIA—white, primrose cup. EVANGELINE (Double-nosed bulbs)—starry, white perianth. Lemon crown.

MRS. LANGTRY—primrose crown on creamy

HERA—all creamy white, faint yellow edge. NETTE O'MELVENY—white, cup lemon as

orange.
QUEEN OF THE NORTH—fluted lemon cup

on broad white perianth.
WHITE LADY (Double-nosed bulbs)—nice yellow on white bloom.

#### POETAZ (Hybrid, showier poeticus)

ASPASIA—White, yellow eye.
LAURENS KOSTER—Free-flowering cream and YELLOW KOSTER-Free-flowering all yellow.

#### **POETICUS** (Small flat crowns, fragrant)

ORNATUS MAXIMUS—Old-fashioned "Pheasant Eye" but larger. Almost identical are number of forms, difficult to distinguish. We have them, carefully true to name: Cassandra, Dante, Eagle, Glory of Lisse, Homer, Horace, King Edward, Nightingale.

RECURYUS—Pure white, scarlet-edged cup. Fragrant. Later.

#### **JONQUILS** (Smaller, earlier Narcissus)

CAMPERNELLI REGULOSUS—tiny golden daffodil.

CAMPERNELLI SIMPLEX-single, pure yellow.

Dainty.
BULBICODIUM CONSPICUUS — Rock-garden dwarf, "Hoop-petticoat" flower. Rich golden.

#### LONG TRUMPET "DAFFODILS"

(April; 1-11/2 ft.)

10 or more, 71/2c each

50 or 6c each

Minimum order, 10 of 1 kind

CHRISTMAS GLORY — trumpet and perianth both yellow. Early.

EMPEROR—yellow trumpet, primrose perianth. EMPRESS—creamy petals; canary-yellow trum-

GOLDEN SPUR—all yellow. Vigorous. Popular. KING ALFRED-gold throughout, Large, Vigorous.

# MIXED By Classes

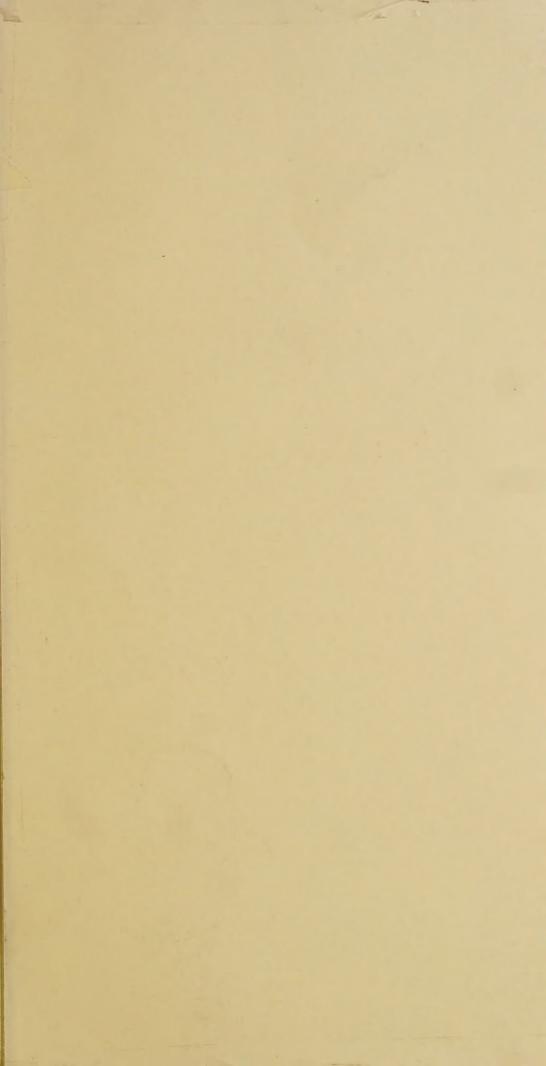
Fine assortments containing many expensive kinds. All large bulbs; some double-nose.

INCOMPARABILIS	100—\$4.00
BARRI	The second second
LEEDSI	100 3.00
TRUMPET TYPES ONLY	100- E EO

# NARCISSUS **Naturalizing** MIXTURE

The greatest garden value is obtained by not confining Narcissus to the garden at all! Let them run along your driveway, in the meadow, under fences, around and among shrub groups. We offer a special assortment of all kinds suitable for the purpose. Trumpets and small cups both are included. They are prolific bloomers and last 6 to 8 years or more where first placed. No special cultural specifications; they take care of themselves.

> 100 for \$3.00 1000 (no less) for \$25.00



# Tris plant now to early fall for best results

Of thousands of named kinds, most catalogs list mainly the "German" Tall Bearded. List below contains widest possible variations, only the best in each class. Different classes are enormously different in size, structure, time of bloom.

#### BEARDED IRIS

(Dry, sunny, no manure)

EVER-BLOOMERS (May, summer, autumn—3 flowering seasons. Fine show until late frost. 1 to 1½ ft.) So distinct from other fall bloomers as to need a new class. All summer they burst into bloom anew. Cultivate and fertilize lightly between flowering periods. 2 of either kind—75o. 2 of each—\$1.25.

Jean Siret—pleasing yellow.

Lieut. Chavagnac—fragrant violet.

FALL BLOOMERS (Bloom in spring and again in fall! 1½ to 2 ft.) 2 of 1 kind—50c.
Eleanor Roosevelt—red-violet.
Sangreal—yellow.
Ultra—ultra-marine blue.

EARLY DWARFS (April; 3 inches to 1 ft.)
Five of I kind—60c, Less than 5 not sold.
Azurea—bright sky blue.
Orange Queen—fragrant yellow.
The Bride—best white.
Tony—rich red-purple.

POGOCYCLUS HYBRIDS (May-2 ft.)
Quaintly frilled, veined and striped. Unique. 2 of 1 kind-50c. Less than 2 not sold.
Doxa-giant, olive-green blend. Unlike any other iris.
Wm. Mohr-soft violet; purple veining. Frilled. Gigante.

TALL "GERMAN" (Early June; 3 to 4 ft.)

We list 9 kinds; seven of them Dykes Medal Winners, all constant prize winners. All are recent, formerly priced 510 to 5100 each. 2 of 1 kind 50c. One of each, nine plants, \$2.00.

Dauntiess—best red iris,

Depute Nomblot—copper and claret; huge.

Frieda Mohr—popular fragrant pink. Huge. Longest in bloom,

G. P. Baker—a dozen huge yellow blooms at once.

Mary Geddes—half a dozen soft pink blooms on a stalk,

Pluie D'Or—mass of tall, deep yellow blooms.

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Rameses—translucent pink and yellow blend.
San Francisco—largest and best of plicatas. White with blue veining.
Wambliska—fragrant, giant. Waxy white.

BEARDLESS IRIS

#### DEARDLESS INIS

(Moist, part shade, fertilize)

SIBERIAN HYBRIDS (June; 3 to 4 ft.)
2 of 1 kind—75c. 1 each of 3 kinds—\$1.00
Caezar—brilliant red-purple.
Perry's Blue—the best blue.
Snow Queen—enormous white.

SPURIA HYBRIDS (Late June; 3 to 4 ft.)
Altogether different. Showy spidery flower. Priced 50c
each. 3 for \$1.25.
Monspur—tall, lavender-blue,
Ochroleuca—white and yellow,
Shelford Giant—huge, cream and gold.

KAEMPFERI HYBRIDS (July; 2 to 4 ft.)

Largest and White tones Dark tones Dark tones

Named kinds, but shipped unlabelled, our choice. All fine sorts. State color range you wish.

#### **BULBOUS IRIS**

(Plant bulbs like tulips in Oct.)

DUTCH IRIS (April; 1 to 2 ft.) Do best if lifted each summer, but following 3 kinds may be left alone. 10 of 1 kind—75c, 100 for \$4.50. Not less than 10 of 1 kind sold.

Imperator—perfect blue.
White Excelsion—large white.
Yellow Queen—uniform yellow.



# Peonies

#### THE 18 BEST

In the table below, Kelsey experts have selected 15 peonies which achieve nearly all the effects of the several thousand named kinds. Each of the 15 is high-rated by the American Peony Society—averaging about 9.0 (10.0 is perfect). 3 to 5 eyes—generous roots to produce gorgeous flowers.

Plant now to September for 6 solid weeks of blooms. Tolerant in sun. Need manure. Sprouts start very early in Spring.

### 5 WHITES (Collection for \$3.90)

Festiva Maxima-9.3

mru-muy	Large White, red center	\$ .50
Late May	Mont Blanc—8.6 Fragrant, lacy, milk-white	.75
Early June	Kelway's Glorious—9.8 Huge, fragrant, creamy	
Mid-June	Mme. Jules Dessert—9.4	1.25
Mid-June	Cream and flesh tints	.75
Late June	Solange—9.7 Coffee and cream. Unusual	
	5 PINKS	
	(Collection for \$3.00)	
Mid May	Mong Tules Wile 0.9	
Mid-May	Mons. Jules Elie—9.2 Fragrant pink	.55
Late May	Rosetta 8 8	.75
Franks Asses	Fresh shell-pink	./5
Early June	Therese—9.8 World's best pink. Fragrant	.85
Mid-June	Baroness Schroeder—9.0 Flesh colored	.55
Late June	Sarah Bernhardt—9.0	.00
2410 34110	Apple-blossom pink. Huge	.55
	5 REDS	
	(Collection for \$3.50)	
Mid-May	Phillippe Rivoire—9.2 Fragrant crimson	1.35
Late May	Mary Brand—8.7	1.35
Late may	Silky dark red	.65
Early June	Longfellow—9.0 Bright crimson	.65
Mid-June	Mme. Gaudichau—8.2	.00
- 7 4 4 4	Mme. Gaudichau—8.2 Dark crimson	.65
Late June	Felix Crousse—8.4 Brilliant red	.45

# 3 RARE UNUSUAL PEONIES!

(Collection for \$6.50)

### KELSEY NURSERY SERVICE

# THIS FALL USE NATURAL FERTILIZERS

Even if it were not everyone's duty to conserve nitrates and other chemicals for the war-effort, there are sound reasons why natural organic fertilizers are more satisfactory. Chemicals are mere temporary meals. The natural manures and organic materials are permanent improvers. Year by year they build up both the vitality and the structure of your soil. Use them to bind sand, loosen clay, feed all soils; as a mulch. They are clean, inexpensive, easily handled. Order now, use through Fall for trees, shrubs, lawns, gardens. Prices f.o.b. New Jersey. It pays to order 200 lbs. or more at a time, as there is a minimum 55c freight charge.

(Numerals in brackets indicate approx. Nitrogen-Phosphorus-Potash values.)

# Mulchnur

#### OUR EXCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT (23/4 - 11/2 - 1)

The preference for Mulchnur is growing astonishingly. It's the all-organic product that does a three-way job:

- 1—High natural fertilizing value; feeds soil.
- 2—Increases moisture-absorption; holds water through drought; conditions soil.
- 3—Discourages grubs, cut-worms, moles, mice, etc.: prevents insect damage to roots.

Mulchnur contains peat moss, manure, proper quantity of tobacco dust. Use 1 lb. to 10 sq. ft. for spreading on lawns. Use 1 lb. to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  sq. ft. in gardens. 50 lb. bag—\$1.50.

#### SHREDDED COW MANURE

(1/2-1/4-1/4)

A direct mulch and excellent soil conditioner. Moisture 25 to 40%. Sold in 100 lb. bags—\$1.00 each. \$1.00 covers 300 sq. ft.

#### **PULVERIZED MANURE**

(1-1/2-1/2)

Bone-dry: moisture under 5%. Will not burn. Economical to use. Sold in 50 lbs. bags which are almost the equal of 100 lbs. of above. 50 lb. bags—\$1.00 each (you save on freight). \$1.00 covers 300 sq. ft.

## FREIGHT

Minimum charge is 55c.
You save by ordering
total shipment of 200
Ibs. or more. Typical
charges for 200 Ibs:
New York 58c—Albany
80c—Hartford 80c—Boston 96c—Washington
84c—Philadelphia 60c,
f.o.b. Pittstown, N. J.

#### PULVERIZED HEN PEAT

(31/2-3-2)

Bone-dry powdered mixture of poultry manure and peat moss. A superb all-round food and soil-conditioner. Must be used sparingly and spread thin; it is triple-strength. The finest fertilizer value we know of. Price, 50 lb. bags—\$1.00 each. \$1.00 covers 1000 sq. ft.

### SHREDDED LEAF MOLD (Acid Soil Mulch)

The thin layer from the top of an oak forest, shredded and bagged. Very loose, yet firm. Goes a long way. Maintains an acid soil; wonderful for Azalea, Rhododendron, Blueberries, Holly, Dogwood, etc. Approx. 75 lb. bag—\$1.00.

#### LAWNS DO BEST WHEN SEEDED IN THE FALL—Order Now!

Late August and September are best for grass seeding. Growing conditions are then most favorable: weeds are dying out; weather is damp and cool. You gain almost a full year—by next summer thick turf will be well on its way. On new lawns use about 1 lb. to 100 sq. ft. To renovate old lawns: spread thin layer of MULCHNUR, and sow seed on bare or thin areas as above; on better areas use 1/2 lb. to 100 sq. ft.

#### KELSEY MANOR

Complete, perfectly balanced formula based on Kentucky Blue Grass, with a little Fescue, plus necessary temporary "nurse" grasses. Over half the net weight is in permanent grasses. Very high in germination and purity (weed-free). It is easier to grow a velvety turf with KELSEY MANOR than any other mixture we know.

KELSEY MANOR—Will succeed anywhere but very shady spots. 5 lbs. or more—50c per lb. 50 lbs. or more—45c per lb.

KELSEY MANOR SHADY—More Fescue for real shady locations. 5 lbs or more—60c per lb. 50 lbs. or more—50c per lb.

Not less than 5 lbs. of one kind sold. State how you want shipped. Express is cheapest and quickest.

